

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Support for the amendment of Claim 8 is found on page 3, lines 27-28, in the specification (hydrocarbons comprising more than 10 carbon atoms) and on page 6, line 36, bridging to page 7, in the specification (mixture comprising propene and propane in a volume ratio of from about 97:3 to 95:5).

Claim 9 is amended to use proper antecedent basis to Claim 8.

Claim 19, directed to non-elected subject matter is herein canceled. Applicants preserve the right to present this claim in a divisional application.

No new matter will be added to this application by entry of this amendment.

Upon entry of this amendment, Claims 8-18 are active.

REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Oh for suggested amendments to address the rejections of record.

The rejection of Claims 8-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is believed obviated by appropriate amendment. The term “hydrocarbon” in Claims 8 and 9 is herein replaced with “hydrocarbon comprising more than 10 carbon atoms” and the term “propene contains propane” in Claim 8 is herein replaced with “propene is a mixture comprising propene and propane in a volume ratio of from about 97:3 to 95:5.” In view of these amendments, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of Claims 8-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

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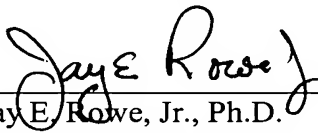
Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now in
condition for allowance and early notice of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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